Application for Multi-Court Exemption from the Judicial Conference's Electronic Public Access (EPA) Fees

1.) I am requesting an exemption from fees for public access to electronic case records for the courts selected below:

Courts of Appeal		Bankruptcy Appellate Pa	nels (BAP)
	Seventh Circuit	First Circuit - BAP	
First Circuit	Eighth Circuit	Sixth Circuit - BAP	
Second Circuit	☐ Ninth Circuit	☐ Eighth Circuit - BAP	
☐ Third Circuit	☐ Tenth Circuit	☐ Ninth Circuit - BAP	
Fourth Circuit	Eleventh Circuit	☐ Tenth Circuit - BAP	
Fifth Circuit	D.C. Circuit		
Sixth Circuit	Federal Circuit		
District Courts			
☐ Alabama Middle	Illinois Northern	☐ Nebraska	Rhode Island
Alabama Northern	Illinois Central	☐ Nevada	South Carolina
Alabama Southern	☐ Illinois Southern	☐ New Hampshire	South Dakota
Alaska	Indiana Northern	☐ New Jersey	Tennessee Eastern
Arizona	Indiana Southern	New Mexico	Tennessee Middle
Arkansas Eastern	☐ Iowa Northern	New York Eastern	☐ Tennessee Western
Arkansas Western	☐ Iowa Southern	New York Northern	Texas Eastern
California Central	☐ Kansas	New York Southern	Texas Northern
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Connecticut	Louisiana Western	North Dakota	☐ Virgin Islands
Delaware	Maine	Northern Mariana Islands	□ Virginia Eastern
District of Columbia	Maryland	Ohio Northern	Virginia Western
Florida Middle	Massachusetts	Ohio Southern	Washington Eastern
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Florida Southern	Michigan Western	Oklahoma Northern	West Virginia Northern
Georgia Northern	Minnesota	Oklahoma Western	West Virginia Southern
Georgia Middle	Mississippi Northern	Oregon	Wisconsin Eastern
Georgia Southern	Mississippi Southern	Pennsylvania Eastern	Wisconsin Western
Guam	Missouri Eastern	Pennsylvania Middle	Wyoming
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3.) Please summarize why the case information from the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER) service is needed and how it will be used. Also, please explain why an exemption from the courts identified is necessary. If you need more space, please provide in an attachment.				
I am a law professor and study wrongful conviction compensation. I have and will continue to use PACER to determine whether persons listed in the National Registry of Exonerations have filed federal civil rights cases arising from those convictions. If they have, I will track the outcomes of those cases. The results of my research will be published in academic law reviews and other journals.				

- 4.) In support of this application, I affirm the following:
 - a) An exemption from the Judicial Conference's EPA Fee is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.
 - b) That the exemption will be for a definitive period of time: until December 31, 2019

- c) I understand that this fee exemption will apply only to me, will be valid only for the purposes stated above, and will apply only to the electronic case files of the court(s) indicated above that are available through the PACER service.
- d) I agree that any data received through this exemption will not be sold for profit, will not be transferred, will not be used for commercial purposes, and will not be redistributed via the Internet.

Declaration: I declare that all the above information is true and understand that a false statement x may result in termination of my exempt access and an assessment of Electronic Public Access usage fees. (The box must be marked or your request will not be considered)

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Please submit your completed, signed request via email to Multi-CourtExemptions@ao.uscourts.gov or by mail to:

Attention: Multi-Court Exemptions Court Programs Division DPS-CSO-PRGD One Columbus Circle, N.E. Washington, DC 20544

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